

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
ROCK HILL DIVISION

Scott T. Hipp,	)	C/A No. 0:18-cv-00548-DCC
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Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
vs.	)	
	)	ORDER
Al Cannon and Tom Cusimano,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	
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This matter is before the Court on Plaintiff's Complaint alleging violations of his civil rights pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. ECF No. 1. In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b) and Local Civil Rule 73.02(B)(2), (D.S.C.), this matter was referred to United States Magistrate Judge Paige J. Gossett for pre-trial proceedings and a Report and Recommendation ("Report"). On April 3, 2018, the Magistrate Judge issued a Report recommending that the complaint be dismissed without issuance of service of process. ECF No. 13. The Magistrate Judge advised Plaintiff of the procedures and requirements for filing objections to the Report and the serious consequences if he failed to do so. ECF No. 1. Plaintiff has filed no objections, and the time to do so has passed.

The Magistrate Judge makes only a recommendation to this Court. The recommendation has no presumptive weight, and the responsibility to make a final determination remains with the Court. See *Mathews v. Weber*, 423 U.S. 261 (1976). The Court is charged with making a de novo determination of any portion of the Report of the Magistrate Judge to which a specific objection is made. The Court may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the recommendation made by the Magistrate Judge or recommit

the matter to the Magistrate Judge with instructions. See U.S.C. § 636(b). The Court reviews the Report only for clear error in the absence of an objection. See *Diamond v. Colonial Life & Accident Ins. Co.*, 416 F.3d 310, 315 (4th Cir. 2005) (stating that “in the absence of timely filed objection, a district court need not conduct a *de novo* review, but instead must only satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the record in order to accept the recommendation.” (citation omitted)).

After considering the record, the applicable law, and the Report, the Court finds no clear error and agrees with the Report’s recommendation that the Complaint be dismissed without issuance of service of process. Accordingly, the Court adopts the Report by reference in this Order. The Complaint is dismissed without prejudice.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/Donald C. Coggins, Jr.  
United States District Judge

May 16, 2018  
Spartanburg, South Carolina

#### **NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL**

The parties are hereby notified of the right to appeal this order pursuant to Rules 3 and 4 of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure.